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TO: Members of the R.I. Board of Education

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RE: Approval of the FY 2023 Capital Budget Proposal

Annually the Council on Elementary and Secondary Education is required to approve the Capital Budget request, a five-year plan that covers repairs, renovations, and improvements typically at State-owned properties. This year's request includes projects for the Davies Career and Technical Center, the Metropolitan Career and Technical Center, the Rhode Island School for the Deaf, and statewide initiatives. The Capital Budget is the first step in the FY 2023 budget process.

The Department's total request through FY 2027 is fourteen (14) projects for a total cost of \$558M, which includes \$67M already spent or encumbered as of June 30, 2021. There are four new projects at the Rhode Island School for the Deaf at a projected cost of \$1M. There is a continued \$6M request in funding for the Davies Career and Technical School to replace the Healthcare Program modular classrooms, and a continued \$4M request by Metropolitan Regional Career and Technical Center for roof replacement and repair to 5 buildings at the Providence Campus. Additionally, there is an increase of \$250M to the statewide project to renovate local school facilities, and a facility equity initiative that will provide a faster and less costly pathway to new and renovated facilities.

The other projects in this budget request are continuations of projects that have been previously approved by the Council on Elementary and Secondary Education, the Governor, and the General Assembly. Included in the existing projects are \$1.1M in requested increases for asset protection funds for the three state schools.

Attached please find three documents detailing the budget request:

- Attachment 1 - brief overview of the Capital Budget request
- Attachment 2 - year-by-year breakdown of the budget for each project.

RECOMMENDATION: THAT, RI Board of Education formally approves the PK-12 Education FY 2023 Capital Budget Proposal, as presented.

Rhode Island Department of Elementary and Secondary Education 2023 Capital Budget Overview

The Rhode Island Department of Elementary and Secondary Education 2023 Capital Budget request includes \$488 million in spending from FY 2022 – FY 2027 for 14 projects. Including money already spent, the estimated cost for the 14 projects is \$560M, \$1.6M of which will be spent after 2027.

The request includes 3 projects for the William M. Davies Career & Technical High School, 2 projects for the Metropolitan Career & Technical Center, 6 projects for the RI School for the Deaf, and 3 projects for statewide initiatives.

- Summary of Proposed Spending
 - Davies
 - There are 2 ongoing projects and 1 previously approved project: for HVAC systems, asset protection, and modular classroom replacement.
 - The HVAC project is continuing, and funds are needed to replace the units in the freshman wing in order to be compliant with existing codes.
 - The asset protection program addresses pressing problems with the facilities, focusing particularly on health and safety issues.
 - The previously approved modular classrooms project is to replace detached modular classrooms originally put in service in the 1970's currently being used by the Healthcare Program.
 - Met
 - There is 1 resubmission project: for roof repair and replacement at the Providence campus
 - There are 4 buildings at the Public St. campus and 1 building at the Peace St. campus. The total square footage for all roofs to be repaired and/or be replaced is 134,580 square feet.
 - There is 1 ongoing project: for Asset Protection.
 - The asset protection program addresses pressing problems with the facilities, focusing particularly on health and safety issues.
 - RI School for the Deaf
 - There are 2 ongoing projects for Asset Protection and security upgrades.
 - The asset protection program addresses pressing problems with the facilities, focusing particularly on health and safety issues.
 - Security enhancement and upgrades are needed throughout the interior and exterior of the campus. It is recommended that cameras be installed at all entry point throughout the campus, the immediate grounds, and the school perimeter.

- **Rhode Island Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
2023 Capital Budget Overview**

- RI School for the Deaf
 - There 4 new projects:
 - Gymnasium facility upgrade is to replace the gymnasium floor and the 75-year-old bleacher system which is no longer repairable.
 - Repairing and resurfacing the parking lot to eliminate injury risk due to unsafe areas.
 - Track and field resurfacing should be done every ten years. The last time the track was resurfaced was in 2010.
 - Vehicle replacement: replace a 2002 vehicle with an 8 passenger SUV to transport student and their audiology equipment to activities.
- Statewide
 - There is 1 ongoing project and 2 new projects for school facilities.
 - The ongoing project is \$500M school construction bond for non-state-owned school buildings statewide, this includes a \$250M increase over the previous allocation that has not been approved.
 - A statewide facility assessment is a new project. An assessment of all school buildings must be done every five years. In order to maintain compliance, the next assessment must be complete by the end of 2023.
 - A facility equity initiative is the second new project, this project will prioritize school districts with reimbursement rates greater than 60% and provide interest savings by eliminating the need to use bond financing to fund projects.
- The funding in this Capital Budget request comes from 2 sources.
 - General Obligation (GO) Bonds, which are debt instruments that require approval by the General Assembly and voters statewide.
 - Rhode Island Capital Fund (RICAP) money, which is pay-as-you-go and is approved through the annual budget process.

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Project Report
Project Summary

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| Project | Project Name | Rank | Pre2022 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | Post 2027 | Total Capital |
|-----------------------|---|------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|--------------------|
| NEWPROJEC T-818556 | Facility Equity Initiative | 1 | 0 | 0 | 5,000,000 | 6,000,000 | 7,000,000 | 8,000,000 | 9,000,000 | 0 | 35,000,000 |
| SCHLBOND | School Construction Bond | 2 | 65,811,266 | 75,000,000 | 75,000,000 | 75,000,000 | 75,000,000 | 75,000,000 | 59,188,734 | 0 | 500,000,000 |
| NEWPROJEC T-380307 | Statewide Facility Assessment | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3,500,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3,500,000 |
| DAV5 | Davies Career and Tech. School Asset Protection | 4 | 150,000 | 665,000 | 500,000 | 500,000 | 500,000 | 500,000 | 0 | 0 | 2,815,000 |
| SD4 | School for the Deaf Asset Protection | 5 | 50,000 | 75,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 | 0 | 0 | 525,000 |
| MC3 | Met School Asset Protection | 6 | 250,000 | 250,000 | 500,000 | 500,000 | 500,000 | 500,000 | 250,000 | 1,586,339 | 4,336,339 |
| DAVHCC | Davies Healthcare Classroom Improvements | 7 | 0 | 500,000 | 6,000,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6,500,000 |
| NEWPROJEC T-766831 | School for the Deaf - Facility Upgrade - Gymnasium | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 300,000 | 300,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 600,000 |
| DAV2 | Davies Career and Tech. School HVAC | 9 | 500,000 | 900,000 | 150,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,550,000 |
| NEWPROJEC T-050817 | School for the Deaf - Security Enhancement | 10 | 0 | 250,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 250,000 |
| NEWPROJEC T-500141 | School for the Deaf - Resurfacing Parking Lot | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100,000 | 100,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 200,000 |
| NEWPROJEC T-834613 | School for the Deaf - Vehicle Replacement | 12 | 0 | 0 | 28,350 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 28,350 |
| MET ROOF | Met Center Roof Replacement | 13 | 0 | 0 | 550,000 | 1,750,000 | 1,750,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4,050,000 |
| NEWPROJEC T-093927 | School for the Deaf - Track & Field Resurfacing | 14 | 0 | 0 | 100,000 | 100,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 200,000 |
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